

Mr Lloyd Garrison to George W. Stacy, Oct. 23, 1878.

"It was a very gratifying and handsome reception extended to me by the 'Franklin Club,' and I am sure you would have greatly enjoyed the occasion, as all present manifestly did. My connection with the printer's craft is to me a source of unspeakable pride and delight, and it had everything to do with shaping my career, and literally putting into my hands the great instrumentalities for the final overthrow of the slave system. Had I not been a practical printer - an expert compositor and able to work at the press - there had been no Liberator. I am glad to know that its 'imposing-stone' is still in your possession. How many days and nights have I wearily bent over it, in getting ready the paper for prompt publication! What a 'stone of stumbling' and a 'rock of offence' it was to all the enemies of emancipation!"

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